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MANCHESTER MAN PLEADS GUILTY
TO REENTERING THE UNITED STATES AFTER BEING DEPORTED

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE – United States Attorney Tom Colantuono reports that 41-year-old Nicholas Alvarez-Enciso pled guilty Friday, March 11, 2005, to the crime of reentering the United States after being deported to his home country of Mexico.

Alvarez-Enciso formerly lived on Cypress Street in Manchester. He was deported from the United States on September 5, 2000, and July 3, 2003. On or about December 13, 2004, he was found in Manchester, New Hampshire by an Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent of the Department of Homeland Security. Alvarez-Enciso waived his right to have a Grand Jury determine whether there was sufficient evidence to indict him and elected to plead guilty to illegally reentering the United States after being deported.

After Friday's court hearing, U.S. Attorney Colantuono said, "Effective enforcement of the nation's criminal immigration laws is central to the missions of the Department of Homeland Security and the United States Attorney's Office. These cases and many others like them reflect our commitment to the vigilant enforcement of those laws."

A sentencing hearing has been scheduled for June 16, 2005. Alvarez-Enciso is facing a maximum prison sentence of 20 years and a maximum fine of \$250,000.

This case was investigated by the of the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Mark S. Zuckerman.